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(From May 16, 1916, to May 15, 1917)

Balance in the hands of the Treasurer, May	
16, 1916 . . . . .	\$904.58
Members' fees till May 15, 1917 . . . . .	325.00
Copyrights, etc. . . . .	35.03
Interest . . . . .	<u>15.23</u>
	\$1279.84
Paid Ginn and Company . . . . .	\$169.48
Paid to the Treasurer of Harvard College:	
For Dante Collection . . . . .	100.00
Refunded from sales of Fay Concordance . . . . .	18.00
Printing, postage, etc. . . . .	12.48
Balance on hand May 15, 1917 . . . . .	<u>979.88</u>
	\$1279.84

## BY-LAWS

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1. This Society shall be called the DANTE SOCIETY. Its object shall be the encouragement of the study of the Life and Works of Dante.
2. Any person desirous to become a member of this Society may do so by signifying his or her wish in writing to the Secretary, and by the payment of an annual fee of five dollars.
3. An Annual Meeting for the election of officers shall be held at Cambridge on the third Tuesday of May, of which due notice shall be given to the members by the Secretary.
4. Special meetings may be held at any time appointed by vote of the members at the Annual Meeting, or by call from the President and Secretary.
5. The officers shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and Treasurer, and a Librarian, who, together with three members thereto chosen, shall form the Council of the Society. All these officers shall be chosen at the Annual Meeting, and their term of service shall be for one year, or until their successors are elected. Vacancies in the Council shall be filled for the remainder of the year by the Council.
6. The President, or, in his absence, the Vice President, or, in the absence of both, any member of the Council, shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of the Council.
7. The Secretary and Treasurer shall keep a record of the meetings of the Society and of the Council, shall collect and receive all dues, and keep accounts of the income and expenditure of the Society, shall give notice of meetings, and shall perform all other duties appropriate to his office.
8. The Council shall hold meetings at such times as it may appoint, shall determine on the use to be made of the income of the Society, shall endeavor to promote the special objects of the Society in such ways as may seem most appropriate, and shall make an annual report of their

proceedings, including a full statement of accounts, at each Annual Meeting. This report shall be made in print for distribution to the members.

9. No officer of the Society shall be competent to contract debts in the name of the Society, and no expenditure shall be made without a vote of the Council.

10. A majority of the Council shall form a quorum for the transaction of business.

11. Any person distinguished for his interest in the purposes of the Society, or who has rendered it valuable service, may be chosen an Honorary Member at any regular meeting of the Society, and shall be entitled to all its privileges without annual assessment.

12. The preceding rules may be changed at any time by unanimous vote of the Council.